

Limited and Director General Resettlement, Ministry of Defence in April, 1993. The said scheme has been reviewed and a revised Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Coal India Limited and Director General Resettlement, Ministry of Defence in April, 1999.

Handing over Indian mines to foreign companies

871. SHRITAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRICHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering the proposal to handover some of the Indian mines to foreign companies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the foreign companies have asked for special concessions to start mining operation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of the answer to part (a) above. Annual **demand and supply of coal**

872. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that coal mining companies having firms supply with approved users can undertake mining coal blocks reserved for captive users;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the projections of annual demand and supply of coal for next 20-years and indigenous availability of coal in the country; and